

FISCAL NOTE

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Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): _____ Dept. Affected: LAW
 Title "An Act relating to child-in-need-of-aid
proceedings..." RDU CIVIL
 Component Human Services
 Sponsor Representative Coghill
 Requester House Finance Component No. _____

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Personal Services	484.0	484.0	484.0	484.0	484.0	484.0
Travel	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Contractual	57.0	57.0	57.0	57.0	57.0	57.0
Supplies	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Equipment	36.7	36.7	36.7	36.7	36.7	36.7
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES ()						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4	586.4

Estimate of any current year (FY2005) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2006 budget proposal: ☐

POSITIONS

Full-time	4	4	4	4	4	4
Part-time	1	1	1	1	1	1
Temporary						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill amends AS 47.10 (Children in Need of Aid). Passage of this legislation will impact the Department of Law in two ways.

1. It changes statutes that apply to confidentiality of child in need of aid matters. Longstanding policies, practices and procedures of every agency and branch of government involved in child welfare protection will be altered. As a result it is anticipated that disputes will arise over the interpretation and implementation of this legislation. The additional operating costs to resolve such disputes are estimated based on 400 additional attorney hours per year at a cost of \$49,696. Half of an attorney position is also requested in conjunction with the funding to allow the Department to add a part time attorney to handle the increased caseload.

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

2. It allows a parent, family member, or guardian who is denied visitation rights the right to request a review hearing thereby increasing the number of hearings attorneys must prepare for and attend. It includes a relative preference for adoption but adds three reasons why adoption may be denied to the relative. These sections will give rise to a number of contests and good cause findings. Taken together, these sections will cause an increase in the caseload that will add another 2 days of work to each CINA attorney's schedule and 1 day of work for each paralegal. This is a conservative estimate based on the assumption that some issues will be worked out early on in the placement process. That will cost \$536,759 which will fund 2.5 additional attorneys, 1 paralegal, and 1 law office assistant.

These costs are based on the Department of Law FY 2006 timekeeping and billing rate of \$107.99 per hour for attorneys and \$81.07 per hour for paraprofessionals. This rate includes overhead costs for leased space, office supplies, and 1 support staff (included in the position count and impact above) and \$6,500 per new position for one time costs for office furnishings and computer equipment.